

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(15)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

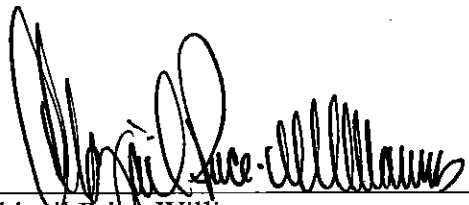
**DATE:** November 3, 2015

**FROM:** Abigail Price-Williams  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution directing the  
County Mayor to provide  
access to foreign language  
versions of the County's  
website within 180 days or  
provide a report to the Board  
in the event the Mayor or  
designee is unable to comply  
with this directive

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.

  
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Abigail Price-Williams  
County Attorney

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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☐ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's \_\_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_\_) to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

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11-3-15

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR  
COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO  
FOREIGN LANGUAGE VERSIONS OF THE COUNTY'S  
WEBSITE WITHIN 180 DAYS OR PROVIDE A REPORT TO  
THE BOARD IN THE EVENT THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE IS  
UNABLE TO COMPLY WITH THIS DIRECTIVE

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County provides residents and visitors of the County with  
crucial information regarding the government of Miami-Dade County through the County's  
website; and

**WHEREAS**, the County's website is currently only provided in the English language;  
and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County has a diverse population of residents and visitors  
many of whom either do not speak English or do not speak English as a primary language; and

**WHEREAS**, providing the capacity to view the information on the County's website in  
other languages would provide a benefit to both residents and visitors of the County; and

**WHEREAS**, adding versions of the County's website in Spanish and Creole will provide  
access to needed government services for these significant populations in the County; and

**WHEREAS**, many free online resources such as Google Translate exist which provide  
the capability to offer translations of websites into many different languages including Spanish  
and Creole,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that the County Mayor or  
County Mayor's designee is directed to make the County's website more foreign language  
friendly by providing the ability for users of the County's website to access the information in

languages other than English, but at a minimum in Spanish or Creole, within 180 days of the effective date of this resolution. In the event that the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is unable to comply with this directive within 180 days of the effective date of this resolution, the County Mayor is directed to provide a report to this Board detailing the reasons why compliance is either not feasible or overly costly and place such report on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65 within 60 days of the effective date of this resolution.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Rebeca Sosa. It was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Jean Monestime, Chairman	
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Daniella Levine Cava
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dennis C. Moss	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	Xavier L. Suarez
Juan C. Zapata	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2015. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.



Oren Rosenthal